

**What is Claimed is:**

1. A label applicator construction, comprising:  
a liner sheet;  
facestock attached to the liner sheet;  
the facestock including at least one weakened separation line defining at least a portion of perimeters of a facestock label and a facestock handle portion;  
the facestock label and the handle portion being removable as a unit from the liner sheet; and  
the handle portion being separable from the facestock label with the facestock label adhered in a desired position on an article.
2. The construction of claim 1 wherein the liner sheet includes at least one weakened separation line defining at least a portion of a perimeter of a liner sheet portion on the handle portion of the unit.
3. The construction of claim 1 wherein a liner sheet portion of the liner sheet is adhered to the handle portion and is removable from the liner sheet as part of the unit.
4. The construction of claim 3 wherein at least one cut line in the liner sheet defines at least a portion of a perimeter of the liner sheet portion.
5. The construction of claim 4 wherein the at least one cut line penetrates the liner sheet but not the facestock.
6. The construction of claim 3 wherein the liner sheet portion is smaller than the handle portion.
7. The construction of claim 3 wherein the handle portion is larger than the liner sheet portion and defines a frame around the liner sheet portion.

8. The construction of claim 1 wherein a separation line having at least one tie separates the handle portion from the facestock label, and the at least one tie is adapted to be broken by a user to separate the handle portion from the facestock label with the facestock label in the desired position.

9. The construction of claim 1 wherein the facestock label has an elongate configuration having an elongate side and an end.

10. The construction of claim 9 wherein the handle portion is attached to and extends out from the end.

11. The construction of claim 9 wherein the handle portion is attached to and extends out from the side.

12. The construction of claim 1 wherein the facestock label has an elongate configuration having first and second ends, the handle portion defines a first handle portion extending out from the first end, and the facestock includes a second handle portion extending out from the second end.

13. The construction of claim 1 wherein the facestock label defines a first facestock label, the handle portion defines a first handle portion, the facestock further includes a second facestock label and a second handle portion, wherein the second facestock label and the second handle portion are manually removable from the liner sheet as a connected unit and the second handle portion is separable from the second facestock label with the second facestock label adhered in a desired position to an article.

14. The construction of claim 13 wherein the liner sheet includes a liner sheet portion which is adhered to the second handle portion and is removable from the liner sheet as part of the connected unit.

15. The construction of claim 13 wherein the liner sheet includes a first liner sheet portion attached to the first handle portion and a second liner sheet portion attached to the second handle portion.

16. The construction of claim 15 wherein the second liner sheet portion is separable along a weakened separation line from the second facestock label with the second facestock label in the desired position.

17. The construction of claim 1 wherein the facestock label has an ink and/or toner receptive surface.

18. The construction of claim 1 wherein the facestock is an ink and/or laser receptive topcoated facestock which is laminated via pressure sensitive adhesive to the liner sheet.

19. The construction of claim 1 wherein the facestock is attached to the liner sheet with adhesive, and the facestock label is adhered with the adhesive in the desired position.

20. The construction of claim 1 wherein the facestock includes first and second facestock sheets attached to the liner sheet with a gap therebetween, and the liner sheet includes a weakened separation line extending along the gap so that the construction can be separated into two pieces.

21. The construction of claim 1 wherein the facestock includes a weakened separation line separating the handle portion and the facestock label.

22. The construction of claim 1 wherein the liner sheet includes a portion to which the facestock label is directly adhered before being removed and the facestock label is peeled off of the portion when removed as the unit.

23. The construction of claim 1 wherein the facestock label defines a first facestock label, the handle portion defines a first handle portion, the unit defines a first unit, and the facestock label includes a second facestock label and a second facestock handle portion, the second facestock label and the second handle portion being removable as a second unit from the liner sheet.

24. A label applicator construction, comprising:  
a liner sheet;

facestock attached to the liner sheet, the facestock including at least one facestock weakened separation line defining at least in part a plurality of aligned facestock labels;

the liner sheet including at least one liner sheet weakened separation line at least in part separating the liner sheet into a removable liner strip and a liner body portion; and

the liner strip when in a separated position being separated from the liner body portion and backsides of the facestock labels being exposed such that the liner body portion can be manipulated such that the facestock labels are in desired positions relative to at least one surface and the facestock labels applied to the at least one surface.

25. The construction of claim 24 wherein the liner strip includes liner sheet portions adhered to respective ones of the facestock labels before the liner strip is positioned in the separated position.

26. The construction of claim 25 wherein the liner strip includes a liner sheet bar to which the liner sheet portions are connected.

27. The construction of claim 24 wherein the facestock includes ties which connect the labels together when on the liner sheet and allow the labels to be separated to position them in the separated position.

28. The construction of claim 24 wherein the liner sheet weakened separation line is a die cut line.

29. The construction of claim 24 wherein the facestock weakened separation line is a die cut line.

30. The construction of claim 24 wherein the at least one surface includes staggered tabs of a stack of tabbed divider sheets.

31. The construction of claim 24 wherein that at least one surface includes staggered tabs of a stack of file folders.

32. The construction of claim 24 wherein the liner sheet and the facestock together define a pressure sensitive laminate material.

33. The construction of claim 24 wherein releasable adhesive attaches the facestock to the liner sheet.

34. The construction of claim 24 wherein the facestock labels are ink and/or laser receptive.

35. The construction of claim 24 wherein the liner sheet is a release coated paper liner sheet.

36. The construction of claim 35 wherein the facestock is an ink and/or laser receptive topcoated facestock which is laminated via pressure sensitive adhesive to the liner sheet.

37. The construction of claim 24 wherein top edges of each of the facestock labels are freestanding and unattached when the liner strip is in the separated position.

38. The construction of claim 24 wherein the liner sheet and the facestock form a laminate construction that can be passed through a printer and desired indicia printed on the labels before the liner strip is removed to the separated position.

39. The construction of claim 24 wherein the plurality of aligned facestock labels defines a plurality of aligned facestock first labels aligned in a first line, the removable liner strip defines a first liner strip, the liner body portion defines a first liner body portion, the facestock includes a plurality of aligned facestock second labels aligned in a second line spaced from and parallel to the first line, the liner sheet includes a removable second liner-strip disposed substantially between the aligned facestock first and second lines of labels.

40. The construction of claim 39 wherein the first liner body portion includes the second liner body portion.

41. The construction of claim 24 wherein a portion of the facestock is adhered to the removable liner strip and is removable therewith relative to the liner body portion.

42. The construction of claim 24 wherein the aligned facestock labels are interconnected by thin facestock necks which are breakable by a user to separate the facestock labels.

43. The construction of claim 24 wherein the liner strip includes a plurality of protruding portions to which respective facestock labels are adhered before the liner strip is in the separated position.

44. A label applicator construction, comprising:  
a liner sheet;  
facestock attached to the liner sheet with adhesive, the facestock including a plurality of aligned facestock labels;

the liner sheet including a removable liner strip and a liner body portion; and  
the liner strip when in a separated position being separated from the liner body portion and backsides of the facestock labels thereby being exposed whereby the liner body portion can be manipulated such that the facestock labels are in desired positions relative to at least one surface and the facestock labels can be applied with the adhesive on the backsides of the facestock labels to the at least one surface in the desired positions.

45. The construction of claim 44 wherein the facestock includes an ink and/or laser receptive facestock sheet and the liner sheet is a release coated paper liner sheet.

46. A label applicator construction, comprising:  
a liner sheet;  
facestock attached to the liner sheet, the facestock including at least one facestock weakened separation line defining at least in part a plurality of aligned facestock labels;  
the liner sheet including a liner strip and a liner body portion;  
the liner strip being positionable in an attached position on the facestock labels and in an alternative removed position removed from the facestock labels; and  
the liner strip when in the removed position exposing bottom surfaces of the labels such that the labels can be removed and applied in alignment to at least one surface.

47. The construction of claim 46 further comprising adhesive which adheres the liner strip to the facestock labels when the liner strip is in the attached position and which also adheres the labels to the at least one surface when the labels are applied in alignment thereto.

48. The construction of claim 46 wherein the strip is configured with serially-connected strip portions interconnected by thin necks, each of the strip portions being attached on a respective one of the labels when the strip is in the attached position.

49. The construction of claim 48 wherein each of the strip portions has substantially the same size and shape as its respective label.

50. The construction of claim 48 wherein each of the strip portions is slightly larger than its respective label.

51. The construction of claim 46 wherein the liner body portion defines a handle for a user to grasp to maneuver the labels into position relative to the surface for application thereto.

52. The construction of claim 46 further comprising adhesive adhering the facestock to the liner sheet.

53. The construction of claim 52 wherein the adhesive is removable or repositionable adhesive.

54. The construction of claim 46 wherein the liner strip defines a first liner strip, the plurality of aligned facestock labels defines a plurality of aligned first facestock labels, the facestock includes a plurality of aligned second facestock labels disposed parallel to and spaced from the first facestock labels, the liner sheet including a second liner strip; and

wherein the second liner strip is positioned in an attached position on the second facestock labels and in an alternative removed position removed from the second facestock labels, the second liner strip when in the removed position exposing bottom surfaces of the second facestock labels such that the second facestock labels can be removed and applied in alignment to at least one surface.

55. The construction of claim 46 wherein the liner sheet and the facestock form a laminate construction sheet, and with the labels removed and the liner strip in the removed position, a series of spaced holes through the laminate construction sheet are formed.



56. The construction of claim 55 wherein thin neck portions of the facestock uncoated with the liner sheet interconnect adjacent ones of the spaced holes.

57. The construction of claim 46 wherein the facestock includes first and second facestock portions separated by a thin space extending from side-to-side or end-to-end on the liner sheet, the liner sheet including a weakened separation line in the thin space whereby the liner sheet can be separated along the weakened separation line to define a first liner sheet portion on which the first facestock portion is attached and a separate second liner sheet portion on which the second facestock portion is attached.

58. The construction of claim 46 wherein the at least one surface includes staggered tabs of a stack of tabbed divider sheets.

59. The construction of claim 46 wherein that at least one surface includes staggered tabs of a stack of file folders.

60. The construction of claim 46 wherein the liner sheet and the facestock together define a pressure sensitive laminate material.

61. The construction of claim 46 wherein releasable adhesive attaches the facestock to the liner sheet.

62. The construction of claim 46 wherein the facestock labels are ink and/or laser receptive.

63. The construction of claim 46 wherein the liner sheet is a release coated paper liner sheet.

64. The construction of claim 63 wherein the facestock is an ink and/or laser receptive topcoated facestock which is laminated via pressure sensitive adhesive to the liner sheet.

65. The construction of claim 46 wherein the facestock labels have ink and/or toner receptive surfaces.

66. A label applicator construction, comprising:  
facestock including a plurality of aligned facestock labels;  
a liner sheet assembly including at least first and second liner strips separable from one another;  
the liner sheet assembly being adhered to the facestock;  
the first liner strip being separable relative to the facestock to a separated position wherein adhesive backsides of the facestock labels are in exposed positions; and  
with the facestock labels in the exposed positions, the liner sheet assembly including the second liner strip can be manipulated by a user into a desired position relative to at least one surface and the facestock labels separated from one another and adhesively applied to the at least one surface.

67. The construction of claim 66 wherein the first liner strip is separable to the separated position after the construction has been passed through a printer and indicia printed on top surfaces of the facestock labels.

68. The construction of claim 66 wherein the facestock labels when in the exposed positions are attached to adjacent portions of the facestock only by breakable ties.

69. The construction of claim 66 wherein the facestock labels when in the exposed positions are positioned along and extend out from an edge of the liner sheet.

70. The construction of claim 66 wherein at least one die cut line separates the first liner strip from the second liner strip.

71. The construction of claim 70 wherein adhesive on the facestock assembly holds the first and second liner strips together until the first liner strip is separated to the separated position.

72. The construction of claim 66 wherein the facestock includes a first facestock strip adhered to the first liner strip and a second facestock strip adhered to the second liner strip.

73. The construction of claim 66 wherein the liner sheet assembly includes a first liner sheet portion which includes the first and second liner strips, a second liner sheet portion and a weakened separation line separating the first and second liner sheet portions.

74. The construction of claim 66 wherein the facestock labels have ink and/or toner receptive surfaces.

75. A label applicator construction, comprising:  
a liner sheet;  
facestock attached with adhesive to the liner sheet;  
at least one liner sheet cut line through the liner sheet but not the adjacent facestock;  
at least one facestock cut line through the facestock but not through the liner sheet;  
the at least one facestock cut line defining at least a portion of perimeters of facestock labels; and

the liner sheet cut lines allowing separation of a portion of the liner sheet from another portion to thereby assist a user in positioning the facestock labels at desired locations on at least one surface and adhered thereto with the adhesive.

76. The construction of claim 75 wherein the at least one facestock cut line defines at least a portion of a perimeter of a facestock handle portion adjacent to one of the facestock labels and removable from the facestock as a unit and subsequently separable therefrom.

77. The construction of claim 76 wherein the at least one liner sheet cut line defines at least a portion of a perimeter of liner sheet handle portion attached to the facestock handle portion and forming part of the unit.

78. The construction of claim 75 wherein the facestock labels before separation are aligned with one another, and the at least one liner sheet cut line defines a liner sheet backing strip attached to backsides of the aligned facestock labels and removable therefrom to expose backsides of the facestock labels.

79. The construction of claim 75 wherein the at least one liner sheet cut line separates the liner sheet into a removable liner strip and a liner body portion, the removable liner strip when separated from the liner body portion exposes backsides of the facestock labels.

80. The construction of claim 75 wherein adhesive is a pressure sensitive adhesive, and the facestock is an ink and/or laser receptive topcoated facestock sheet which is laminated via the adhesive to the liner sheet.

81. The construction of claim 75 wherein with the liner sheet portion separated from the another liner sheet portion, the facestock labels are serially interconnected with breakable facestock thin connector strips.

82. The construction of claim 75 wherein the at least one facestock cut line defines a facestock handle portion adjacent one of the facestock labels and separable therewith as a unit from the liner sheet.

83. The construction of claim 82 wherein the at least one liner sheet cut line defines a liner sheet portion attached to the facestock handle portion and forming part of the separable unit.

84. The construction of claim 82 wherein the at least one facestock cut line defines a weakened separation line between the facestock handle portion and the adjacent facestock label and allowing separation of the facestock handle portion from the adjacent facestock label after the unit has been separated.

85. The construction of claim 75 wherein the facestock labels have ink and/or toner receptive surfaces.

86. The construction of claim 75 wherein each of the facestock labels has a rectangular shape with rounded corners.

87. The construction of claim 75 wherein the facestock is a printable polyester film or Mylar.

88. A label applicator method, comprising:  
providing a liner sheet having facestock attached thereto;  
the facestock including a facestock label and a facestock handle portion;  
removing the facestock label and facestock handle portion as a unit from the liner sheet; and  
after the removing, adhering the facestock label in a desired position on an article.

89. The method of claim 88 further comprising after the adhering, separating the facestock handle portion from the facestock label.

90. The method of claim 88 wherein the separating includes tearing along a weakened separation line separating the facestock handle portion from the facestock label.

91. The method of claim 88 wherein the liner sheet includes a liner sheet portion which is attached to the facestock handle portion and forms part of the unit.

92. The method of claim 91 wherein the removing and adhering include grasping the liner sheet portion.

93. The method of claim 88 further comprising before the removing, printing indicia on the facestock label.

94. The method of claim 93 wherein the printing includes passing the liner sheet and attached facestock through a printer or copier.

95. The method of claim 88 wherein the facestock handle portion is releasable attached along a long edge of the facestock label.

96. The method of claim 88 wherein the facestock handle portion is releasably attached along a short end of the facestock label.

97. The method of claim 88 wherein the facestock handle portion defines a first handle portion, the short end defines a first short end, the facestock label has a second short end opposite to the first short end and the facestock includes a second facestock handle releasably attached along the second short end and forming part of the unit.

98. The method of claim 97 wherein the liner sheet includes first and second liner sheet portions attached to the first and second facestock handles, respectively, and forming part of the unit, and further comprising after or concurrently with the adhering, separating

the first and second liner sheet portions and the first and second facestock handles from the facestock label.

99. The method of claim 88 wherein the facestock label defines a first facestock label, the facestock includes a second facestock label, and before the removing, passing the facestock and liner sheet through a printer and printing first indicia on the first facestock label and second indicia on the second facestock label.

100. A label applicator method, comprising:

providing a liner sheet and facestock attached to the liner sheet, the facestock including a plurality of aligned facestock labels, and the liner sheet including a liner body portion and a liner strip;

separating the liner strip from the liner body portion from an attached position into a separated position wherein the facestock labels are connected to the liner body portion and backsides of the facestock labels are exposed;

manipulating at least one of the liner body portion and at least one surface relative to one other such that the exposed backsides of the aligned facestock labels are in a desired position relative to the at least one surface; and

with the aligned facestock labels in the desired position, applying the aligned facestock labels to the at least one surface, the applying including separating the aligned facestock labels from the liner body portion.

101. The method of claim 100 further comprising before the separating, passing the liner sheet and facestock through a printer or copier and printing indicia on the facestock labels.

102. The method of claim 100 further comprising before the manipulating, printing indicia on the facestock labels.

103. The method of claim 100 wherein the strip includes with the liner strip in the attached position, liner sheet portions adhered to the backsides of respective ones of the facestock labels, and a liner sheet bar to which the liner sheet portions are connected.

104. The method of claim 100 wherein with the liner strip in the attached position the facestock is attached to the liner sheet with adhesive, and the applying uses the adhesive.

105. The method of claim 100 wherein the at least one surface includes staggered tabs of a stack of tabbed divider sheets.

106. The method of claim 100 wherein with the liner strip in the separated position, top edges of each of the facestock labels are freestanding and unattached.

107. The method of claim 100 wherein the at least one surface includes staggered tabs of file folders.

108. The method of claim 100 wherein the applying includes manually pressing each of the facestock labels to the at least one surface, and the separating includes breaking ties attaching the facestock labels to adjacent portions of the facestock.

109. The method of claim 100 wherein the plurality of aligned facestock labels defines a plurality of first aligned facestock labels aligned in a first line, the liner strip defines a first liner strip, the liner body portion defines a first liner body portion, the facestock includes a plurality of second aligned facestock labels aligned in a second line spaced from and parallel to the first liner, the liner sheet includes a second liner strip disposed substantially between the aligned first and second lines of labels, and further comprising after the applying, removing the second liner strip and applying the second aligned facestock labels.



110. The method of claim 100 further comprising before the applying steps, passing the facestock and liner sheet through a printer or copier and printing indicia on the first and second facestock labels.

111. A label applicator method, comprising:

providing a liner sheet assembly adhered to facestock, the facestock including a plurality of aligned first facestock labels and a plurality of aligned second facestock labels, the liner sheet assembly including first and second liner sheet strips separable from one another, the first liner sheet strip being in an attached position attached to the first facestock labels, and the second liner sheet strip being in an attached position attached to the second facestock labels;

removing the first liner sheet strip from the attached position to expose backsides of the first facestock labels;

manipulating at least one of the liner sheet assembly and at least one surface relative to the other such that the exposed backsides of the first facestock labels are in desired positions relative to the at least one surface; and

with the first facestock labels in the desired positions, applying the first facestock labels to the at least one surface, the applying including separating the first facestock labels from the facestock and from each other.

112. The method of claim 111 further comprising:

after the applying step, removing the second liner sheet strip from the attached position to expose backsides of the second facestock labels;

manipulating at least one of the liner sheet assembly and at least one second surface relative to the other such that the exposed backsides of the second facestock labels are in desired positions relative to the at least one second surface; and

with the second facestock labels in the desired positions, applying the second facestock labels to the at least one second surface, the second facestock labels applying including separating the second facestock labels from the facestock and from each other.

113. The method of claim 112 further comprising before the first facestock labels applying step, printing indicia on the first and second facestock labels.

114. The method of claim 111 wherein the removing includes peeling the first liner sheet strip off of the facestock.

115. The method of claim 111 wherein the at least one surface includes a stack of staggered tabs of file folders or index divider sheets.

116. The method of claim 111 wherein the liner sheet assembly is adhered with adhesive to the facestock, and the applying uses the adhesive.

117. The method of claim 111 wherein the first facestock labels are spaced and separated from one another with thin strips of the facestock, and the first facestock labels are in a line spaced from and parallel to a line of the second facestock labels.

118. The method of claim 111 wherein the manipulating includes holding the liner sheet assembly and manipulating it relative to the at least one surface.

119. A method of constructing a label applicator construction, comprising:  
attaching facestock with adhesive to a liner sheet;  
after the attaching, forming cut lines through the facestock but not the liner sheet to form a plurality of facestock labels; and  
after the attaching, forming cut lines through the liner sheet but not the facestock to form liner sheet portions to assist in adhering the facestock printable labels to desired surfaces with the adhesive.

120. A label applicator system, comprising:

a holder for holding a plurality of sets of file folders, tab dividers or the like, each of the sets having aligned staggered tabs, the sets being held in stair-step relationship with the staggered tabs being exposed and parallel.

121. The system of claim 120 wherein the holder comprises a plurality of connected staggered pockets each for holding a separate one of the sets.

122. The system of claim 121 further comprising a label applicator sheet having a plurality of labels, the labels being aligned in rows, such that with the sheet on top of the sets in the holder, labels of each row are positioned on respective tabs of a respective set.

123. The system of claim 122 wherein the sheet includes a liner sheet and facestock adhered to a top of the liner sheet, the facestock sheet having weakened separation lines defining the labels, and the liner sheet having liner sheet positions removable to expose adhesive coated backs of the labels.

124. The system of claim 123 wherein the liner sheet portions comprise liner sheet strips for each row of labels.

125. The system of claim 120 wherein the holder comprises a pouch having a plurality of pockets each for holding a separate one of the sets.

ADD A1  
ADD B1  
ADD C1